

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

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KIRT LEACH,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 18-12313

MICHAEL J. BOUCHARD, et al.,

Defendants.

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**ORDER OF DISMISSAL**

Plaintiff Kirt Leach filed a pro se complaint which alleged various constitutional claims stemming from traffic citations he received in Oakland County. (Dkt. #1.) Plaintiff's request to proceed without prepaying filing fees (Dkt. #2) was denied (Dkt. #6.) On September 20, 2018, the court ordered Plaintiff to show cause by October 4, 2018 why his complaint should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. (Dkt. #7.) In this order, the court warned Plaintiff that failure to respond, "may result in dismissal of the case."

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b) gives the district court power to dismiss a complaint where "the plaintiff fails to prosecute or to comply with [the Federal Rules] or a court order." The rule acts as a tool by which the court can "effect management of its docket and avoidance of unnecessary burdens on the tax-supported courts and opposing parties." *Knoll v. Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.*, 176 F.3d 359, 363 (6th Cir. 1999) (internal quotation and alteration omitted). Whether to dismiss under Rule 41(b) is within the sound discretion of the district court. *Gravitt v. Tyszkiewicz*, 14 F. App'x 348, 349

(6th Cir. 2001). Additionally, E.D. Mich. L.R. 41.2 empowers the court to dismiss a complaint when the “parties have taken no action for a reasonable time.”

Here, Plaintiff has failed to comply with the court’s order and has not submitted any filing to explain his failure to prosecute. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff’s Complaint (Dkt. #1) is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

s/Robert H. Cleland /  
ROBERT H. CLELAND  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: October 15, 2018

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed to counsel of record on this date, October 15, 2018, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

s/Lisa Wagner /  
Case Manager and Deputy Clerk  
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